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ACROSS

- 1 This is a natural satellite that orbits a planet.
- 4 If this planet were placed in a large container of water, it is so light that it would float.
- 5 The coolest stars are the color _____.
- 7 This has a large orbit and is made of ice and dust.
- 8 The only planet in our solar system that has an abundance of liquid water.
- 10 Two planets appear blue because of the gasses surrounding them. One of them is _____.
- 11 There is a huge _____ between Mars and Jupiter.
- 13 The name of our galaxy is the _____.
- 16 When the moon passes between the Earth and the sun it is called a _____.
- 17 The hottest planet in our solar system.
- 20 There are _____ planets that have rings.
- 22 The hottest stars are the color _____.
- 23 When an object spins about its center it is called _____.
- 25 Wasted light from city and outdoor lights that makes it hard to see the stars at night.
- 26 The smallest planet in our solar system.

DOWN

- 1 These are known as shooting stars because they burn up in the sky when they enter Earth's atmosphere.
- 2 Small rocky bodies that are out in space.
- 3 The closest planet to the sun.
- 6 This is created when a meteor hits a surface.
- 9 A pattern of stars usually named after animals or people in stories.
- 12 This is commonly called the "red planet" and is named after the Roman god of war.
- 14 The largest planet in our solar system.
- 15 Two planets appear blue because of the gasses surrounding them. One of them is _____.
- 18 The color of our Sun makes it a _____ star.
- 19 The shape of our galaxy is known as a _____.
- 21 The path an object takes as it moves around another object is called its _____.
- 24 The closest star to the Earth.

WORD LIST:

Sun	asteroids	Milky Way
Venus	solar eclipse	crater
constellation	orbit	Saturn
rotation	blue	Jupiter
light pollution	spiral	yellow
red	comet	Pluto
Mercury	Earth	meteors
moon	Neptune	Saturn
Mars	four	Asteroid belt
Uranus		